

West Davis Corridor EIS

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WHAT'S AN EIS?

- An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is a document that discloses the potential impacts of a proposed project in a defined study area
- An EIS is prepared consistent with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), a clearly defined process
- The EIS looks in-depth at impacts to the natural and built environment.



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Scoping



We gather initial data and input from all interested groups regarding issues that should be addressed in the study.

Purpose and Need



Your input together with current and projected traffic data help define the transportation needs in the study area.

Alternatives Development & Screening



We consider all transportation options and study in detail alternatives that effectively resolve the identified needs.

Impact Analysis



We examine potential human, community, cultural, economic and environmental concerns for each alternative.

Draft EIS



We draft a comprehensive report, called an Environmental Impact Statement, which documents the study, transportation alternatives, potential concerns of each alternative and input from the public.

Public Hearing



You have the opportunity to learn, review, discuss and provide feedback on the Draft EIS at open houses or any time during the comment period, which lasts for at least 45 days.

Final EIS



We respond to all comments received about the Draft EIS and publish a Final EIS.

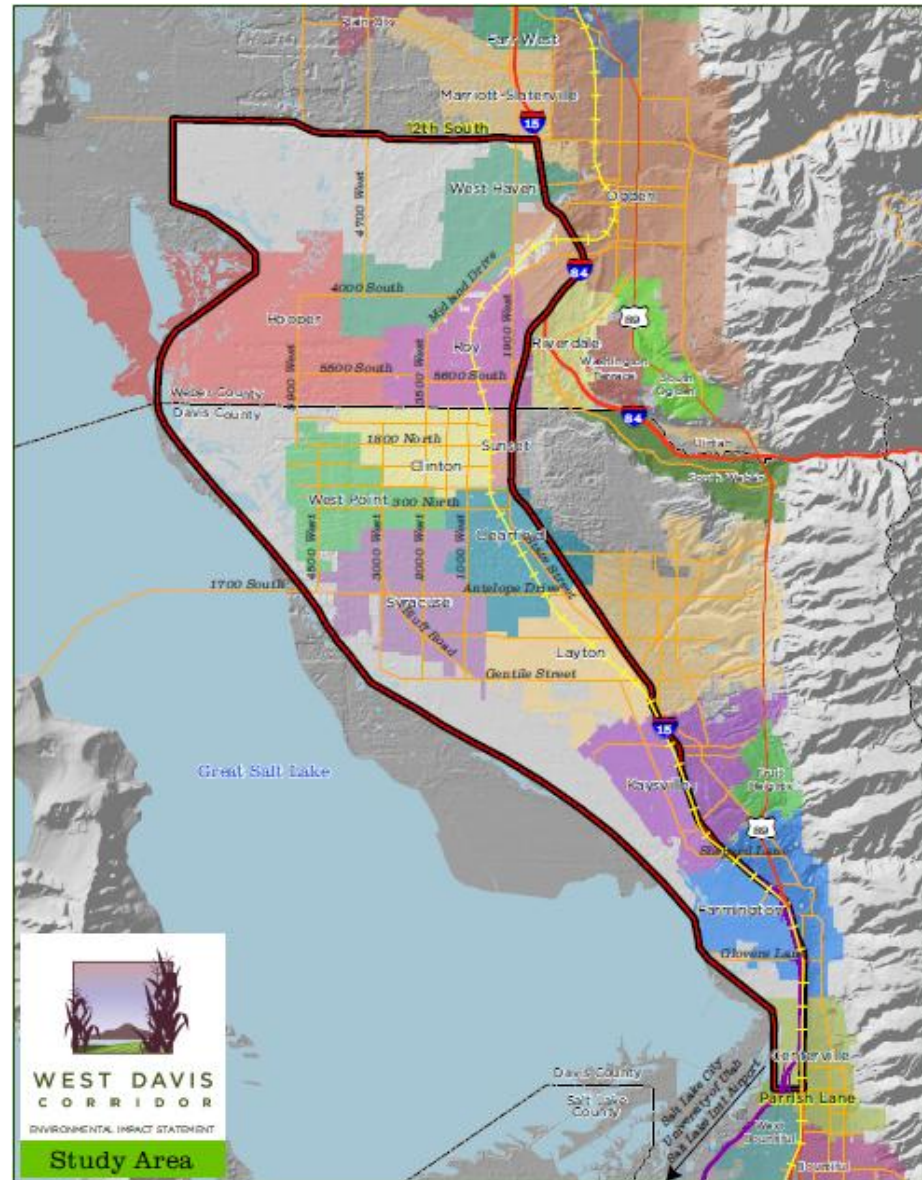
Record of Decision

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) reviews the Final EIS and issues a Record of Decision based on all data and comments presented in the Final EIS.



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STUDY AREA



HISTORY

- 1962 – West Davis Highway conceptualized
- 1995 – Western Transportation Corridor
(Major Investment Study)
- 2001 – North Legacy Corridor Study
 - 2007 Connector Study
 - 2009 Supplemental Study
- 2010 – West Davis Corridor EIS



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TRANSPORTATION PLANS

■ WFRC 2007 – 2030 RTP

- South of 12th Street – Four-lane arterial
- North of 12th Street – Two-lane arterial

■ Wasatch Choices 2040

- Expressway along 2001 Identified Corridor

■ Local Municipalities

- Farmington, Kaysville, Layton, Syracuse, and West Point show a corridor on their transportation plans.



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STUDY APPROACH

- An Open Process
- Objectivity
- Consider all the options
- True partnership
- Consensus



“Trust the Process”



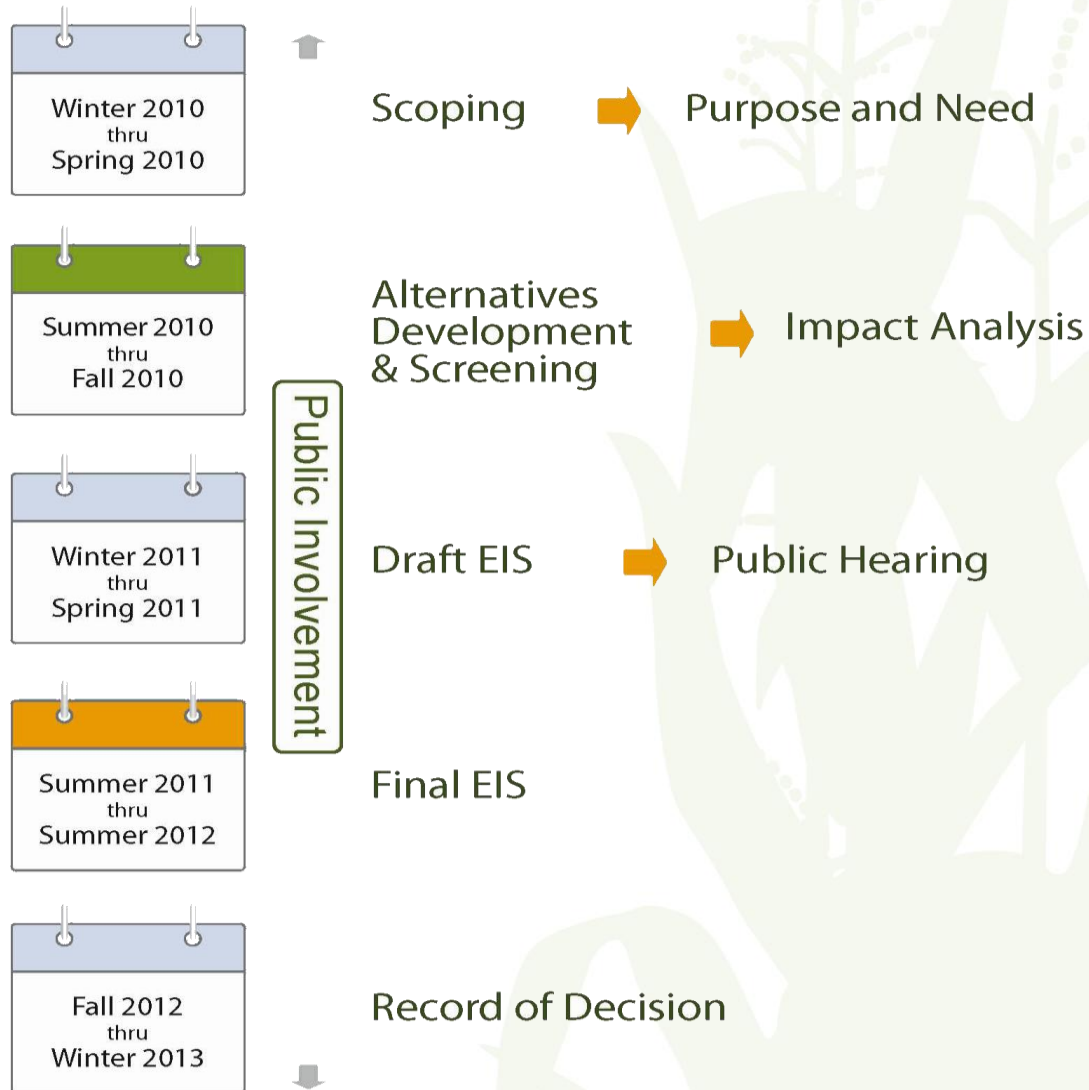
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GOALS of the STUDY

1. Thorough, objective, and technically sound process that:
 - Meets the transportation need;
 - Benefits the community; and
 - Is compatible with the natural and built environment
2. Positive, proactive, and cooperative outreach
3. Accurately document the process

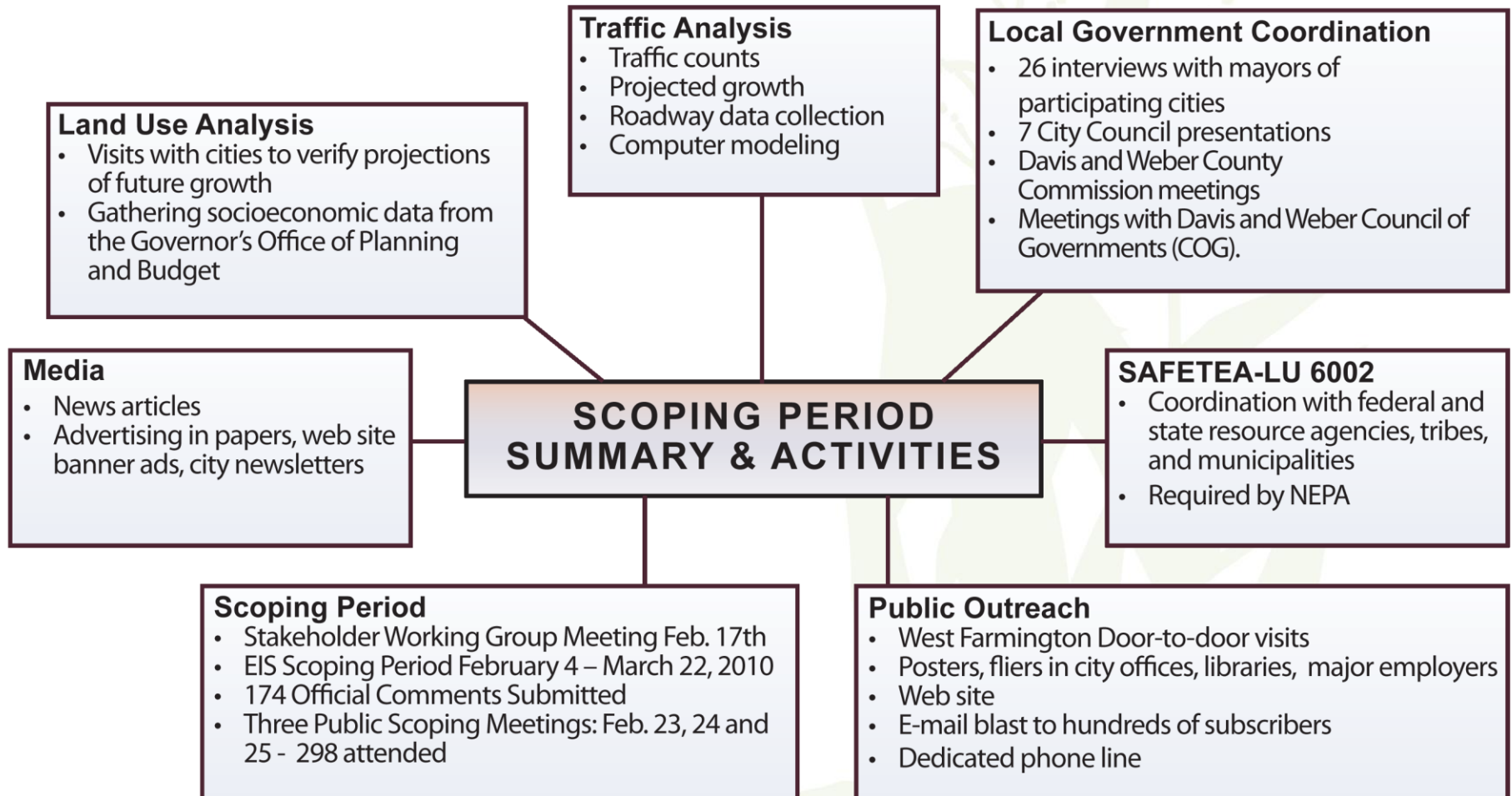


SCHEDULE



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SCOPING OUTREACH



WHAT IS PURPOSE & NEED?

- ▣ **Need** - Why the project is necessary
- ▣ **Purpose** - What we are trying to achieve
- ▣ The study's purpose and need is a key factor in determining the range of alternatives considered for the project.



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BE INVOLVED

- Visit website www.udot.utah.gov/westdavis
 - Learn about the process
 - Find out what's happening
 - Sign up for e-mail updates
 - Make a comment
- Purpose and Need Released in May
 - Public Release of the Purpose & Need
 - 30 day comment period
- Upcoming Open Houses in June
 - Share ideas on alternatives
 - Spread the word



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QUESTIONS?



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